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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Ansorge, et al.

Examiner: Julie Ha

Filed: June 7, 2006

Art Unit: 1654

Serial No.: 10/563,498

Use of DPIV and APN Inhibitors for the Treatment of Dermatological Diseases Involving

the Hyperproliferation and Modified Differentiation Conditions of Fibroblasts

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 14, 2007, imposing a restriction and election of species requirement on this application. Applicants herewith elect the Group II claims (claims 5 and 13-14). Applicants further elect (Lys[Z9NO2) thiazolidide) as the species of DP IV inhibitor, actinonin as the APN inhibitor, benign fibrotic and sclerotic diseases as the species of disease, oral as the systemic application, and creams as the topical application. A preliminary amendment is forthcoming under separate cover.

Applicants request a one-month extension of time to file this response. A check for the required fee is enclosed. Any additional fees due may be charged (or any overpayment credited) to Deposit Account no. 08-2442.

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